



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

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For: NAIL-SETTING CLAW HAMMER HEAD

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 23, 2002, the period for response being extended to May 23, 2003, by the Petition for Extension of Time filed herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1, 2, 4, 5, 10 and 13 as set forth below in clean form. Additionally, in accordance with 37 CFR 1.121(c)(1)(ii), the amended claim(s) are set forth in a marked-up version in the page(s) attached to this Amendment.

1. (Thrice Amended) A nail-setting claw hammer head, comprising:

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a main body disposed along and about a horizontal axis, a vertical axis and a transverse axis which intersect one another perpendicularly at a point of intersection to define a center of mass, the main body having a top surface and a rear surface with the rear surface including a nail-head receiving recess formed therein; and a claw connected to the rear surface of the main body at a first end and forming a fulcrum surface with the top surface, the claw curving about the point of intersection and disposed apart from the rear surface, the claw terminating at a second end opposite the first end with a pair of claw sections defining a V-shaped slot therebetween, the nail-head receiving recess defined by a nail-head receiving recess

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